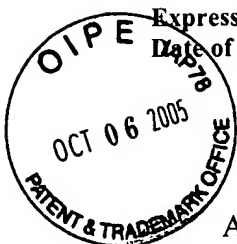


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**PETITION AND AMENDMENT TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A  
NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b) – FEWER  
INVENTORS DUE TO AMENDMENT OR CANCELLATION OF CLAIMS**

Dear Sir:

The prosecution of the above-identified nonprovisional application has resulted in the cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in the instant application. Therefore, Applicants submit this Petition and Amendment to correct inventorship by deleting the following name(s):

**Charles Wilson  
Jeffrey Kurz**

The invention of each of the above listed inventor(s) is no longer being claimed in the instant nonprovisional application.

This Petition and Amendment is being filed in conjunction with a Preliminary Amendment in order to delete those inventors who were correctly named in the instant application as filed, but are not inventors of the invention recited by the pending claims, as amended in the Preliminary Amendment.

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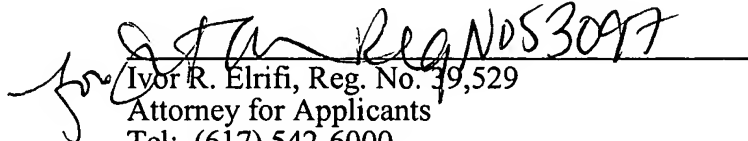
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Applicants submit herewith the appropriate fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 23239-541.

Should the Commissioner have any questions concerning this petition, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

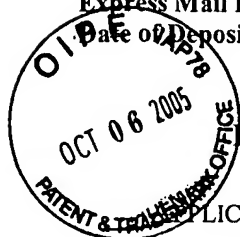
  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application please find the following documents:

1. Petition and Amendment to Correct Inventorship in a Nonprovisional Patent Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) - Fewer Inventors Due to Amendment or Cancellation of Claims (2 pages);
2. Check No. 21244 in the amount of \$130.00;
3. Return Postcard.

Although Applicant believes no additional fees are due with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-541.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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